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Migratory Bird Hunting; Late Seasons, and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds in the United States

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule prescribes the open seasons, shooting and hawking hours, hunting areas, and daily bag and possession limits for general waterfowl seasons; special seasons for scaup and goldeneyes; extra scaup and teal in regular seasons; most sandhill crane seasons in the Central Flyway; coots, gallinules, and snipe in the Pacific Flyway; and additional falconry seasons. The taking of the designated species of migratory birds is prohibited unless open hunting seasons are specifically provided. The rules will permit taking of the designated species within specified periods of time beginning as early as September 29 and benefit the public by opening the seasons which are presently closed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September, 28, 1979.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Migratory Bird Treaty Act of July 3, 1918 (40 Stat. 755; 16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.), as amended, authorizes and directs the Secretary of the Interior, having due regard for the zones of temperature and for the distribution, abundance, economic value, breeding habits, and times and lines of flight of migratory game birds to determine when, to what extent, and by what means such birds or any part, nest, or egg thereof may be taken, hunted, captured, killed, possessed, sold, purchased, shipped, carried, exported, or transported.

The annual process for developing migratory game bird hunting regulations is divided into those for "early" seasons and those for "late" seasons. Early seasons include those which open before September 29, while late seasons open on or after September 29. Regulations are developed independently for early and late seasons. The early season regulations cover mourning doves, white-winged doves, band-tailed pigeons, rails, gallinules, woodcock, common snipe, sea ducks in the Atlantic Flyway, teal in September in the Central and Mississippi Flyways, ducks in late September in Iowa, sandhill cranes in North Dakota and South Dakota, doves in the Virgin Islands and Hawaii, all migratory game birds in Puerto Rico and Alaska, and some special falconry seasons. Late seasons include the general waterfowl seasons; special seasons for scaup and goldeneyes; extra scaup and teal in regular seasons; most sandhill crane seasons in the Central Flyway; coots, gallinules, and snipe in the Pacific Flyway; and additional special falconry seasons.

Certain general procedures are followed in developing regulations for both the early and the late seasons. Initial regulatory proposals are first announced in a **Federal Register** document in mid-February, and opened to public comment. As additional information becomes available, and comments on the initial proposals are received and considered, supplemental proposed rulemakings are published in the **Federal Register.** At the termination of the comment periods and following a public hearing, the Service develops and publishes the proposed frameworks for times of seasons, season lengths, shooting and hawking hours, daily bag and possession limits, and other regulatory restraints or options. Following another public comment period and after consideration of additional comments, the Service publishes in the **Federal Register** the final frameworks. Using these frameworks, State conservation agencies select hunting season dates and offered options. States may select more restrictive seasons and options than those offered in the Service's frameworks. The final regulations, reflected in amendments to Subpart K of 50 CFR 20 then appear in the **Federal Register,** and become effective upon publication.

This year the process was implemented as follows. On February 15, 1979, the Service published for public comment in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 9928) proposals to amend 50 CFR 20, with a comment period ending May 16, 1979. That document dealt with the establishment of seasons, limits and shooting hours for migratory birds under §§ 20.101 through 20.107 of Subpart K. On June 13, 1979, the Service published for public comment in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 34082) the second document in the series consisting of supplemental proposed rulemaking dealing specifically with a number of supplemental proposals arising from comments received on the initial proposals, or from new information. On June 28, 1979, the Service also published for public comment in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 37857) the third document in the series consisting of supplemental proposed rulemaking dealing specifically with proposed frameworks for early season migratory bird hunting regulations from which, when finalized, States could select season dates and daily bag and possession limits for the 1979–80 season. On June 28, 1979, the Service also published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 37854) the fourth document in the series consisting of final rulemaking dealing specifically with final frameworks from which wildlife conservation agency officials in Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands could select season dates for hunting certain migratory birds in their respective jurisdictions during the 1979–80 season. On July 24, 1979, the Service published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 43420) the fifth document in the series consisting of final rulemaking dealing specifically with final frameworks for early season migratory bird hunting regulations in all States during the 1979–80 seasons from which State wildlife conservation officials selected early season dates and daily bag and possession limits for the 1979–80 season. On August 8, 1979, the Service published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 46462) the sixth document in the series consisting of final rulemaking dealing specifically with a correction to the Final Regulations Frameworks for 1979–80 Early Hunting Seasons on Certain Migratory Game Birds in the United States, adding text inadvertently omitted from the July 24 publication (44 FR 43420) affecting *Gallinules, Sandhill*

Cranes, and *Scoter, Eider and Oldsquaw Ducks* (Atlantic Flyway). On August 10, 1979, the Service published for comment in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 47246) the seventh document in the series of proposed and final rulemakings dealing specifically with proposed regulations frameworks for 1979–80 late hunting seasons on certain migratory game birds. On August 20, 1979, the Service published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 48846) the eighth document in the series of proposed and final rulemakings dealing specifically with amending subpart K of 50 CFR 20 to set open hunting seasons, certain closed areas, shooting and hawking hours, and bag and possession limits for mourning doves, white-winged doves, band-tailed pigeons, rails, woodcock, snipe, and gallinules; September teal seasons; sea ducks in certain defined areas of the Atlantic Flyway; ducks in late September in Iowa; sandhill cranes in designated portions of North Dakota and South Dakota; and migratory game birds in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. On August 28, 1979, the Service published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 50544) the ninth document in the series of proposed and final rulemakings dealing specifically with final regulations frameworks for 1979–80 late hunting seasons on certain migratory game birds from which States selected season dates and daily bag and possession limits for the 1979–80 season. This final rulemaking document is the tenth in the series of proposed, supplemental, and final rulemakings for migratory game bird hunting regulations and consists of final rulemaking amending subpart K of 50 CFR 20 to set open hunting seasons, hunting areas, shooting and hawking hours, and bag and possession limits for waterfowl, coots, and gallinules; sandhill cranes in parts of New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Montana, and Wyoming; common snipe in the Pacific Flyway; and additional extended falconry seasons.

On June 21, 1979, a public hearing was held in Washington, D.C., to review the status of mourning doves, woodcock, band-tailed pigeons, white-winged doves, and sandhill cranes. The meeting was announced in the **Federal Register** on February 15, 1979 (44 FR 9928) and June 13, 1979 (44 FR 34082). Proposed hunting regulations for these species were discussed plus those for migratory game birds in Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; mourning doves in Hawaii; September teal seasons in the Mississippi and Central Flyways; an early duck season in Iowa; special sea duck seasons in the Atlantic Flyway; and falconry seasons. Statements or comments were invited.

On August 2, 1979, a public hearing was held in Washington, D.C., as announced in the **Federal Register** on February 15, 1979 (44 FR 9928) and June 13, 1979 (44 FR 34082) to review information on population status and proposed hunting regulations for waterfowl, coots, and gallinules; sandhill cranes in Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Montana and Wyoming; common snipe in the Pacific Flyway; and special falconry regulations. Statements or comments were invited from the public.

Steel Shot Regulations

Non-toxic shot requirements in some areas apply to waterfowl regulations being finalized here. On July 17, 1979, the Service published in the **Federal Register** (44 FR 41461) final regulations regarding zones in all flyways in which shotshells loaded with steel shot will be required for waterfowl hunting in seasons commencing in 1979. Minor corrections to the final regulations appeared in the **Federal Register** dated August 10, 1979 (44 FR 47093). The intended effect of establishing these steel shot regulations is to reduce the number of waterfowl deaths caused by ingesting spent lead pellets.

The regulations appear under 50 CFR, §§ 20.21 and 20.108, and will also be summarized in the Service's regulations leaflets to be published late this summer.

NEPA Consideration

The "Final Environmental Statement for the Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Sport Hunting of Migratory Birds (FES 75–54)" was filed with the Council on Environmental Quality on June 6, 1975, and notice of availability was published in the **Federal Register** on June 13, 1975 (40 FR 24241). A number of environmental assessments have been issued by the Service to supplement the above FES. Shooting hours, dove hunting in September, black ducks, canvasbacks and redheads, Atlantic flyway brant, and greater snow geese are among the subjects of these assessments. The 1975 FES is now out of print but copies of the environmental assessments are available from the Office of Migratory Bird Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Endangered Species Act Consideration

Compliance with the Endangered Species Act, insofar as late season regulations frameworks are concerned, was described in the **Federal Register** dated August 28, 1979 (44 FR 50544). As a result of intra-Service Section 7 consultation, Acting Director Robert S. Cook concluded in a biological opinion dated August 21, 1979, "that the migratory bird late hunting seasons are not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of the above listed species or result in destruction or adverse modification of any designated Critical Habitat."

The Service wishes to reiterate that delays or closures of migratory bird hunting seasons will be considered, and invoked when justified, for the protection of endangered species.

The Service's biological opinions and threshold examination reports resulting from its consultation under section 7 are considered to be public documents and are available for public inspection in the Office of Endangered Species and the Office of Migratory Bird Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington, D.C. 20240. Copies may be also be obtained by mail upon request.

Authorship

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Exception From Executive Order 12044 and 43 CFR Part 14

As discussed in the **Federal Register** dated February 15, 1979 (44 FR 9929), the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks has concluded that the ever decreasing time frames in the regulatory process are mandated by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Administrative Procedure Act. The regulatory process simply has no remaining slack in its timetable between the accumulation of critical summer survey data and the publication of the revised sets of proposed and final rulemakings. Compliance with the determination of significance and regulatory analysis criteria established under Executive Order 12044 would simply not be possible if the fall hunting season deadlines are to be achieved.

Consequently, the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks has approved the exemption of these regulations from the procedures of Executive Order 12044 and 43 CFR 14 which is provided for in section 6(b)6 and § 14.3(f), respectively.

Regulations Promulgation

After analysis of the migratory game bird survey data obtained through investigations conducted by the Service, State conservation agencies, and other sources, and consideration of all comments received on the late season proposals (44 FR 9928, February 15, 1979; 44 FR 34082, June 13, 1979; and 44 FR 47246, August 10, 1979) the Service published in the **Federal Register** on August 28, 1979 (44 FR 50544), final late season frameworks. Copies of the final frameworks were also sent to the officials of the State conservation agencies who were invited to submit selections for hunting seasons and related options which complied with the shooting hours, daily bag and possession limits, season times and lengths, and areas specified in the frameworks.

The taking of the designated species of migratory birds is prohibited unless open hunting seasons are specifically provided. The amendments will permit taking of the designated species within specified time periods beginning as early as September 29 and benefit the public by opening the seasons which are presently closed.

The rulemaking process for migratory bird hunting must, by its nature, operate under severe time constraints. However, the Service is of the view that every attempt should be made to give the public the greatest possible opportunity to comment on the regulations. Thus, when the proposed rulemakings were published on February 15, June 13, and August 10, the Service established what it believed were the longest periods possible for public comment. In doing this, the Service recognized that at the periods' close, time would be of the essence. That is, if there were a delay in the effective date of these regulations after this final rulemaking, the Service is of the opinion that the printing and distribution of Federal and State regulatory announcements and leaflets would be delayed to the extent that hunters would not have regulatory information available prior to the beginning of the hunting seasons. The Service has determined that "good cause" exists, within the terms of 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), and these regulations will, therefore, take effect immediately upon publication.

Accordingly, each State conservation agency having had an opportunity to participate in selecting the hunting seasons desired for its State (all dates inclusive) on those species of migratory birds for which open seasons are now to be prescribed, and consideration having been given to all other relevant matters presented, certain sections of Title 50, Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Part 20, Subpart K, are amended to read as follows:

PART 20—MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING

1. Section 20.104 is revised to read as follows:

§ 20.104 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for rails, woodcock, and common snipe.

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, the areas open to hunting, the respective open seasons (dates inclusive), the shooting hours, and the daily bag and possession limits on the species designated in this section are prescribed as follows:

	Rails (sora and Virginia)	Rails (clapper and king)	Woodcock	Common snipe
Daily bag limits	[1]25	([2])	5	8
Possession limits	[1]25	([2])	10	16

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset daily on all species, except as noted otherwise.
Check State regulations for additional restrictions, including area descriptions.

SEASONS IN THE ATLANTIC FLYWAY

Connecticut	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Oct. 20 to Dec. 1	Oct. 20 to Dec. 1.
Delaware	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Oct. 18 to Nov. 3 and Nov. 19 to Jan. 5.	Oct. 1 to Nov. 3 and Nov. 19 to Jan. 30.
Florida	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Dec. 8 to Feb. 10	Nov. 10 to Feb. 24.
Georgia	Sept. 8 to Nov. 16	Sept. 8 to Nov. 16	Nov. 20 to Jan. 23	Nov. 20 to Feb. 26.
Maine	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 24 to Nov. 15	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15.
Maryland	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Oct. 5 to Nov. 23 and Dec. 22 to Jan. 5.	Sept. 14 to Dec. 29.
Massachusetts	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 10 to Nov. 30	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15.
New Hampshire	Closed	Closed	Sept. 22 to Nov. 25	Sept. 22 to Nov. 25.
New Jersey: [3]				
North Zone	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Oct. 3 to Nov. 26	Oct. 13 to Nov. 13 and Nov. 22 to Jan. 2.
South Zone	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Oct. 27 to Dec. 1 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 2.	Oct. 13 to Nov. 13 and Nov. 22 to Jan. 2.
New York: [3]				
Northern Zone including Lake Champlain	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 20 [4] to Nov. 23	Sept. 1 to Nov. 23.
Southern Zone	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 1 [4] to Nov. 23	Sept. 1 to Nov. 23.
Long Island	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1 [4] to Nov. 23	Closed.
North Carolina	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Nov. 17 to Jan. 19	Nov. 14 to Feb. 28.
Pennsylvania	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 13 to Dec. 15	Oct. 13 to Dec. 15.
Rhode Island	Sept. 17 to Nov. 25	Sept. 17 to Nov. 25	Oct. 20 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 1.	Sept. 17 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 10.
South Carolina	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Nov. 22 to Jan. 25	Nov. 14 to Feb. 28.
Vermont	Sept. 29 to Dec. 2	Closed	Sept. 29 to Dec. 2	Sept. 29 to Dec. 2.
Virginia	Sept. 8 to Nov. 16	Sept. 8 to Nov. 16	Oct. 22 to Dec. 25	Oct. 17 to Jan. 31.
West Virginia	Sept. 10 to Nov. 17	Closed	Oct. 13 to Dec. 15	Sept. 10 to Dec. 25.

Seasons in the Mississippi Flyway				
Alabama	Nov. 10 to Jan. 18	Nov. 10 to Jan. 18	Nov. 28 to Jan. 31	Nov. 14 to Feb. 28.
Arkansas	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Nov. 15 to Jan. 18	Nov. 15 to Feb. 28.
Illinois	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15 to Dec. 18	Oct. 15 to Jan. 29.
Indiana	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 22 to Nov. 25	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Iowa	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 22 to Nov. 25	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Kentucky	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20	Closed	Oct. 6 to Nov. 30 and Dec. 8 to Dec. 16.	Oct. 6 to Nov. 30 and Dec. 8 to Dec 16.
Louisiana	Sept. 22 to Nov. 30	Sept. 22 to Nov. 30	Dec. 8 to Feb. 10	Nov. 3 to Feb. 17.
Michigan: [3] [5]				
Zone 1	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14	Closed	Sept. 15 to Nov. 13	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14.
Zone 2	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14	Closed	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14.
Zone 3	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14	Closed	Oct. 20 to Nov. 14	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14.
Minnesota	Sept. 1 to Nov. 4	Closed	Sept. 1 to Nov. 4	Sept. 1 to Nov. 4.
Mississippi	Oct. 27 to Jan. 4	Oct. 27 to Jan. 4	Dec. 15 to Feb. 17	Nov. 17 to Feb. 28.
Missouri	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 1 to Dec. 4	Oct. 1 to Dec. 4.
Ohio	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 28 to Dec. 1	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15.
Tennessee	Dec. 1 to Jan. 19 [6]	Closed	Oct. 20 to Nov. 25 and Feb. 1 to Feb. 28.	Nov. 19 to Feb. 28.
Wisconsin	Oct. 1 [7] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Nov. 24	Closed	Sept. 15 to Nov. 18	Oct. 1 [7] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Nov. 24.
Seasons in the Central Flyway				
Colorado [8]	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1 to Dec. 2.
Kansas	Sept. 15 to Nov. 23	Closed	Oct. 6 to Dec. 9	Sept. 15 to Dec. 30.
Montana [8]	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 29 to Nov. 27.
Nebraska	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 15 to Nov. 18	Sept. 15 to Nov. 18.
New Mexico [8]	Sept. 15 to Nov. 23	Closed	Closed	Sept. 15 to Dec. 16.
North Dakota	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 15 to Nov. 11.
Oklahoma	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Nov. 20 to Jan. 23	Oct. 20 to Feb. 3.
South Dakota	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1 to Oct. 31.
Texas	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Nov. 17 to Jan. 20	Nov. 3 to Feb. 17.
Wyoming [8]	Sept. 29 to Dec. 7	Closed	Closed	Sept. 29 to Jan. 7.
Seasons in the Pacific Flyway				
Arizona	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
California: [3]				
Northeastern Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13.
Southern Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Colorado River Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Remainder of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Colorado	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1 to Dec. 2.
Idaho: [3]				
Columbia Basin	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6 to Jan. 13.
Remainder of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6 to Jan. 6.
Montana	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30.
Nevada:				
Clark County	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Remainder of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13.
New Mexico	Sept. 15 to Nov. 23	Closed	Closed	Sept. 15 to Dec. 16.
Oregon:				
Columbia Basin	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 13 to Jan. 20.
Remainder of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13.
Utah [7]	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6 to Jan. 6.
Washington [7]	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13.
Wyoming	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30.

[1] The bag and possession limits for sora and Virginia rails apply singly or in the aggregate of these two species.

[2] In addition to the limits on sora and Virginia rails, in Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, and Rhode Island, there is a daily bag limit of 10 and possession limit of 20 clapper and king rails, singly or in the aggregate of these two species, except that the season is closed on king rails in New Jersey by State regulation. In Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia, there is a daily bag limit of 15 and possession limit of 30 clapper and king rails, singly or in the aggregate of these two species.

[3] For description of zones or management units within a State, see State regulations.

[4] In New York, on the first day the season opens at sunrise for woodcock.

[5] In Michigan, in the counties of Arenac, Bay, Huron, Macomb, Monroe, St. Clair, Tuscola and Wayne, and adjacent Great Lakes and connecting waters, the snipe and rail seasons shall open concurrently with the duck season and shall run continuously in all areas through November 14.

[6] In Tennessee, the season dates for the Reelfoot Zone are November 17, 1979, through January 5, 1980. See waterfowl regulations for the description of the Reelfoot Zone.

[7] In Wisconsin, Utah, and Washington, on the first day the season opens at 12 noon.

[8] The Central Flyway portion consists of: *Colorado* and *Wyoming*—the area lying east of the Continental Divide; *Montana*—the area lying east of Hill, Chouteau, Cascade, Meagher, and Park Counties; *New Mexico*—the area lying east of the Continental Divide but outside the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation. The remainder portions of these States are in the Pacific Flyway

2. Section 20.105 is amended to read as follows:

§ 20.105 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for waterfowl, coots, and gallinules.

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, the areas open to hunting, the respective open seasons (dates inclusive), the shooting hours, and the daily bag and possession limits on the species designated in this section are prescribed as follows:

(a) *Sea Ducks.* (1) An open season for taking scoter, eider, and oldsquaw ducks is prescribed according to the following table during the period between September 15, 1979, and January 20, 1980, in all coastal waters and all waters or rivers and streams seaward from the first upstream bridge in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut; in those coastal waters of New York lying in Long Island and Block Island Sounds and associated bays eastward from a line running between Miamogue Point in the Town of Riverhead to Red Cedar Point in the Town of Southhampton, including any ocean waters of New York lying south of Long Island; in any waters of the Atlantic Ocean and, in addition, in any tidal waters of any bay which are separated by at least one mile of open water from any shore, island, and emergent vegetation in New Jersey, South Carolina, and Georgia; and in any waters of the Atlantic Ocean and/or in any tidal waters of any bay which are separated by at least 800 yards of open water from any shore, island, and emergent vegetation in Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, and Virginia, provided that any such areas have been described, delineated, and designated as special sea duck hunting areas under the hunting regulations adopted by the

respective States. In all other areas of these States and in all other States in the Atlantic Flyway, sea ducks may be taken only during the regular open season for ducks.

(2) The daily bag limit is 7 and the possession limit 14, singly or in the aggregate of these species. During the regular duck season in the Atlantic Flyway, States may set in addition to the limits prescribed for such seasons a daily bag limit of 7 and possession limit of 14 scoter, eider, and oldsquaw ducks, singly or in the aggregate of these species.

(3) Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset daily.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions, including area descriptions.

Seasons in:	
Connecticut	Oct. 15 to Jan. 12.
Delaware	Sept. 28 to Jan. 12.
Georgia	Nov. 21 to Jan. 20.
Maine	Oct. 1 to Jan. 15.
Maryland	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
Massachusetts	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
New Hampshire	Sept. 15 to Dec. 30.
New Jersey	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
New York (Long Island only)	Sept. 21 to Jan. 5.
North Carolina	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
Rhode Island	Oct. 6 to Jan. 20.
South Carolina	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
Virginia	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Part 20, the shooting of *crippled* waterfowl from a motorboat under power will be permitted in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Delaware, Virginia, and Maryland in those areas described, delineated, and designated in their respective hunting regulations as being open to sea duck hunting.

(b) *Teal.* September season:

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(c) *Gallinules.*

Limits in the Atlantic, Mississippi, and Central Flyways:

Daily bag limit	15
Possession limit	30

Limits in the Pacific Flyway: The daily bag and possession limits are 25 gallinules and coots singly or in the aggregate of these two species.

Shooting hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions, including area descriptions.

Seasons in the Atlantic Flyway:	
Connecticut	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Delaware	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Florida [1]	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Georgia	Nov. 21 to Jan. 20.
Maine	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Maryland	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Massachusetts	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
New Hampshire	Closed
New Jersey	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
New York:	
Long Island	Closed
Remainder of State	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
North Carolina	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Pennsylvania	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Rhode Island	Sept. 17 to Nov. 25.
South Carolina	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Vermont	Sept. 29 to Dec. 2.
Virginia	Oct. 3 to Oct. 6. Nov. 20 to Dec. 1. Dec. 17 to Jan. 19.
West Virginia	Oct. 3 to Oct. 20. Dec. 12 to Jan. 12.
Seasons in the Mississippi Flyway:	
Alabama	Nov. 10 to Jan. 18.
Arkansas	Nov. 7 to Jan. 15.
Illinois	Closed.
Indiana	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Iowa	Closed.
Kentucky	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20.
Louisiana	Sept. 22 to Nov. 30
Michigan:	
Zone 1	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17.
Zones 2 and 3	Oct. 4 to Nov. 22.
Minnesota	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17.
Mississippi	Sept. 22 to Sept. 30. Oct. 27 to Dec. 26.
Missouri	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Ohio	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Tennessee [2]	Dec. 1 to Jan. 19.
Wisconsin	Oct. 1 [3] to Oct. 7. Oct. 13 to Nov. 24.
Seasons in the Central Flyway:	
Colorado [4]	Closed.
Kansas	Closed.
Montana [4]	Closed.
Nebraska	Closed.
New Mexico [4]	Oct. 30 to Jan. 6.
North Dakota	Closed.
Oklahoma	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
South Dakota	Closed.
Texas	Sept. 1 to Nov. 9.
Wyoming [4]	Closed.
Seasons in the Pacific Flyway:	
Arizona	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
California:	
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13.
Southern Zone	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Colorado River Zone	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Remainder of State	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Nevada	
Clark County	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20.
Remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13.
New Mexico [5]	Oct. 6 to Dec. 14.

[1] The gallinule season in Florida applies to the common or Florida gallinule only. No open season on purple gallinules in Florida.

[2] In Tennessee, the season dates for the Reelfoot Zone are November 17, 1979, through January 5, 1980. See footnote under waterfowl regulations for description of the Reelfoot Zone.

[3] On the first day the season opens at 12 noon.

[4] Seasons apply to Central Flyway portion of State only.

[5] Seasons apply to Pacific Flyway portion of State only.

(d) *Waterfowl and coots in Atlantic, Mississippi, Central and Pacific Flyways.*

Flywaywide Restrictions

Shooting (including hawking) hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily except as otherwise restricted.

In all States in the Atlantic Flyway:

Wood ducks—No more than 2 wood ducks may be taken daily nor more than 4 wood ducks may be possessed. Exceptions: during duck seasons prior to October 15, 1979, in North Carolina, under conventional regulations, no special restrictions within the regular daily bag and possession limits shall apply to wood ducks. In Virginia, under the point system, the point value of wood ducks shall be 25; and in Pennsylvania, the possession limit is 2 wood ducks.

Hooded mergansers—In States selecting conventional regulations, no more than 1 hooded merganser may be taken daily nor more than 2 hooded mergansers may be possessed.

Canvasbacks and redheads—Except in close areas, the limit on canvasbacks and redheads is 1 canvasback daily and 1 in possession or 1 redhead daily and 1 in possession under conventional regulations. Under the point system canvasbacks count 100 points each, except in closed areas, and redheads count 70 points each, except in closed areas. The areas closed to canvasback and redhead hunting are:

New York—Upper Niagara River between the Peace Bridge at Buffalo, New York, and the Niagara Falls. All waters of Lake Cayuga.

New Jersey—Those portions of Monmouth County and Ocean County lying east of the Garden State Parkway.

North Carolina—Those portions of the State lying east of U.S. Highway 1.

Maryland and Virginia—The entire State.

Brant—The season is closed on brant.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas. Special restrictions may apply on Federal and State public hunting areas.

The season dates for mergansers and coots are the same as those for ducks in the following tables:

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Connecticut:			
Ducks		4	8
North zone [1]	Oct. 20 to Nov. 3 and Nov. 22 to Dec. 26		
South zone [1]	Oct. 20 to Oct. 27 and Dec. 1 to Jan. 11		
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Oct. 20 to Nov. 3 and Nov. 19 to Jan. 12	3	6
Snow (including blue)	Oct. 20 to Nov. 3 and Nov. 19 to Jan. 12	4	8

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Delaware:			
Ducks	Oct. 1 to Oct. 6, Nov. 7 to Nov. 24, and Dec. 18 to Jan. 12.	5	10
Including no more than: Black ducks		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 7 to Jan. 31	4	8
Snow (including blue)	Nov. 7 to Dec. 1 and Dec. 18 to Jan. 31	4	8
Florida:			
Ducks	Nov. 21 to Dec. 2 and Dec. 14 to Jan. 20	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese	Closed		
Georgia:			
Ducks	Nov. 21 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 7 to Jan. 20	5	10
Including no more than: Black ducks		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Closed		
Maine:			
Ducks		4	8
North zone (wildlife management units 1–3).	Oct. 1 to Nov. 19		
South zone (wildlife management units 4–8).	Oct. 1 [2] to Oct. 20 and Nov. 16 to Dec. 15		
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
North zone (wildlife management units 1–3).	Oct. 1 to Dec. 8		
South zone (wildlife management units 4–8).	Oct. 1 [2] to Dec. 8		
Including no more than:			
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
Maryland:			
Ducks (except canvasbacks and redheads)	Oct. 26 to Oct. 27, Nov. 9 to Nov. 23, and Dec. 11 to Jan. 12.	Point system.	
Canvasbacks and redheads		Season closed.	
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
In Delmarva Peninsula [3]	Oct. 26 to Nov. 23 and Dec. 3 to Jan. 31	3	6
In remainder of State	Nov. 2 to Nov. 23 and Dec. 3 to Jan. 19	3	6
Snow (including blue)	Nov. 14 to Nov. 23 and Dec. 3 to Jan. 31	4	8
Massachusetts:			
Ducks [4]	Oct. 10 to Oct. 20, Nov. 2 to Nov. 24, and Dec. 28 to Jan. 12.	4	8
Including no more than: Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 10 to Oct. 27, Nov. 2 to Nov. 30, and Dec. 28 to Jan. 19.		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
New Hampshire:			
Ducks	Oct. 3 to Oct. 28 and Nov. 23 to Dec. 16	4	8
Including no more than: Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 3 to Oct. 28 and Nov. 17 to Dec. 30		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
New Jersey:			
Ducks	Oct. 13 to Oct. 20 and Nov. 22 to Jan. 2	Point system. [5]	
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Oct. 1 to Oct. 31 and Nov. 22 to Jan. 19	4	8
Snow (including blue)	Oct. 13 to Nov. 13 and Nov. 22 to Dec. 29	4	8
New York:			
Long Island area:			
Ducks	Nov. 14 to Jan. 2	4	8
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Nov. 14 to Jan. 20		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
Lake Champlain area:			
Ducks	Oct. 3 [6] to Oct. 14 and Oct. 27 to Dec. 3	4	8
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 3 [6] to Dec. 11		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
North zone: [7]			
Ducks	Oct. 3 to Oct. 28 and Nov. 9 to Dec. 2	5	10
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 3 to Dec. 11		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
South zone: [7]			
Ducks	Oct. 10 to Oct. 21 and Nov. 2 to Dec. 9	5	10
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 3 to Dec. 11		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
West zone: [7]			
Ducks	Oct. 10 to Nov. 15 and Dec. 21 to Jan. 2	5	10
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 3 to Dec. 11		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
North Carolina:			
Ducks		5	10
East zone [8]	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24 and Dec. 5 to Jan. 19		
West zone [8, 9]	Oct. 3 to Oct. 6 and Dec. 5 to Jan. 19		
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24 and Dec. 5 to Jan. 19	2	4
Snow (including blue)	Nov. 23 to Jan. 31	4	8
Pennsylvania:			
Ducks		4	8
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		2	4
Wood ducks		2	2
North zone [10]	Oct. 27 to Dec. 15		
South zone [10]	Oct. 10 [11] to Oct. 20 and Oct. 31 to Dec. 8		
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
In Southeastern zone [12]	Oct. 10 [11] to Dec. 18 and Dec. 26 to Jan. 14	4	8
In remainder of the State [13]	Oct. 10 [11] to Dec. 18	3	6
Snow (including blue)	Oct. 10 [11] to Dec. 18	4	8
Rhode Island:			
Ducks	Oct. 11 to Oct. 14 and Nov. 21 to Jan. 5	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8
South Carolina:			
Ducks	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24 and Dec. 5 to Jan. 19	5	10
Including no more than: Black duck and mottled duck, singly or in the aggregate.		1	2
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Anderson, Beaufort, Colleton, Fairfield, McCormick, Newberry, and Oconee Counties.	Season closed		
Remainder of State	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24 and Dec. 5 to Jan. 19		
Canada		1	2
Snow (including blue)		4	8
Vermont:			
Ducks	Oct. 3 [6] to Oct. 14 and Oct. 27 to Dec. 3	4	8
Including no more than: Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese [14]	Oct. 3 [6] to Dec. 11		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Virginia:			
Ducks [15] (except canvasbacks and redheads).	Oct. 3 to Oct. 6, Nov. 20 to Dec. 1, and Dec. 17 to Jan. 19.	Point system.	
Canvasbacks and redheads	Season closed		
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
In Back Bay area [16]	Oct. 3 to Oct. 6, Nov. 20 to Dec. 1, and Dec. 17 to Jan. 19.	2	4
In Delmarva Peninsula area	Nov. 3 to Jan. 31	4	8
In remainder of State	Nov. 12 to Jan. 19	3	5
Snow (including blue):			
In Back Bay area [17]	Nov. 23 to Dec. 1 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 19	4	8
In remainder of State	Nov. 23 to Jan. 31	4	8
West Virginia:			
Ducks	Oct. 3 to Oct. 20 and Dec. 12 to Jan. 12	4	8
Including no more than: Black ducks		2	4
Mergansers		5	10
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 3 to Oct. 20 and Dec. 12 to Jan. 12		
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		4	8

[1] In Connecticut, the *North Zone* is that portion of the State north of Interstate 95. The *South Zone* is that portion of the State south of Interstate 95.

[2] In Maine, in the South Zone, on the first day the season opens at 12 noon.

[3] In Maryland, the Delmarva Peninsula includes the counties of Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Annes, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester.

[4] Season closed on wood ducks in Nantucket County.

[5] In New Jersey, the green-winged teal is assigned 25 points.

[6] In the Lake Champlain area of New York and Vermont, on the first day the season opens at 8 a.m.

[7] In New York, the *West Zone* is that portion of Upstate New York lying west of a line commencing at the north shore of the Salmon River and its junction with Lake Ontario and extending easterly along the north shore of the Salmon River to its intersection with Interstate Highway 81, then southerly along Interstate Highway 81 to the Pennsylvania border. The *North* and *South* Zones are bordered on the west by the boundary of the West Zone and are separated from each other as follows: starting at the intersection of Interstate Highway 81 and New York Route 49 and extending easterly along Route 49 to its junction with Route 8 in Utica, then southerly along Route 8 to its intersection with U.S. Highway 20 in Bridgewater, then easterly along U.S. Highway 20 to the Massachusetts border.

[8] In North Carolina, the *East Zone* is that portion of the State east of U.S. Highway 1. The *West Zone* is that portion of the State west of U.S. Highway 1.

[9] No special daily bag and possession limit restrictions apply to wood ducks during the October 3–6 season.

[10] In Pennsylvania, the *North Zone* is comprised of the Lake Erie waters of Pennsylvania and a shoreline margin along Lake Erie from New York on the east to Ohio on the west extending 150 yards inland, but including all of Presque Isle peninsula. the *South Zone* is the remainder of Pennsylvania.

[11] In Pennsylvania, on the first day the season opens at 12 noon.

[12] In Pennsylvania, the *Southeastern Zone* is that portion of the State lying east and south of a boundary beginning at Interstate Highway 83 at the Maryland border and extending north to Harrisburg, then east on U.S. Highway 22 to the New Jersey border.

[13] In Pennsylvania, in Butler, Crawford, Erie, and Mercer Counties, and in the controlled shooting section of the Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area, the Canada goose daily bag limit is 1 and the possession limit is 2.

[14] See State regulations for further limit restrictions for Dead Creek Area, Addison County, Vermont.

[15] In Virginia, the wood duck is assigned 25 points during the October 3–October 6 season.

[16] In Virginia, the *Back Bay Area* is defined for Canada geese as those portions of the cities of Virginia Beach and Chesapeake lying east of U.S. Highway 17 and Interstate 64.

[17] In Virginia, the *Back Bay Area* is defined for snow (including blue) geese as the waters of Back Bay and its tributaries and the marshes adjacent thereto, and on the land and marshes between Back Bay and the Atlantic Ocean from Sandbridge to the North Carolina line, and on and along the shore of North Landing River and the marshes adjacent thereto, and on and along the shores of Lake Tecumseh and Red Wing Lake and the marshes adjacent thereto.

Mississippi Flyway

Shooting hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily except as otherwise restricted.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas. Special restrictions may apply on Federal and State public hunting areas.

The season dates for mergansers and coots are the same as those for ducks in the following tables.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Alabama:			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
North Zone [2]	Dec. 1 to Jan. 19		
South Zone [2]	Nov. 16 to Jan. 4		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
In Barbour, Henry, and Russell Counties	Closed season		
On Pickwick, Wilson, and Wheeler Reservoirs west of U.S. Highway 31.	Dec. 1 to Jan. 19		
In remainder of State	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20		
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	4
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Arkansas: [3]			
Ducks	Nov. 17 to Jan. 5	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Closed season		
Other geese	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20	5	5
Including no more than:			
White-fronted		2	2
Snow (including blue)	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20	5	5
Illinois:			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
North Zone [4]	Oct. 17 to Dec. 5		
South Zone [4]	Oct. 31 to Dec. 19		
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
In Alexander, Jackson, Union, and Williamson Counties: [5]			
Canada	Nov. 9 to Jan. 17		
White-fronted and snow	Oct. 31 to Dec. 31		
In remainder of the State:			
North Zone [4]	Oct. 17 to Dec. 25		
South Zone, [4] except Alexander, Jackson, Union, and Williamson Counties	Oct. 31 to Dec. 31		
For the entire State, including no more than:			
Canada [6]		2	4
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Indiana:			
Ducks		Point system.	
North Zone [7]	Oct. 20 to Dec. 8		
South Zone [7]	Nov. 10 to Dec. 29		
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 20 to Nov. 21 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 20	5	5
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and White-fronted geese combined		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Iowa:			
Ducks [1]	Sept. 22 to Sept. 26 and Oct. 20 to Dec. 3	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese	Sept. 29 to Dec. 7	5	5
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	4
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		4	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Kentucky:			
Ducks	Nov. 21 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 7 to Jan. 20	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20		
Including no more than:			
Canada [6, 8]		2	4
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Louisiana:			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
East Zone [9]	Nov. 17 to Dec. 6 and Dec. 22 to Jan. 20		
West Zone [9]	Nov. 3 to Nov. 27 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 13		
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Closed season		
Other geese		5	5
East Zone [9]	Nov. 17 to Jan. 25		
West Zone	Nov. 3 to Nov. 27 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 28		
Including no more than:			
White-fronted		2	2
Snow (including blue)		5	5

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Michigan:			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
North Zone (Zone 1) [10]	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17		
South Zone (Zones 2 and 3) [10]	Oct. 4 to Nov. 22		
Coots		15	30
Geese		[illegible]	5
North Zone (Zone 1) [10]	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17		
South Zone:			
(Zone 2) [10]	Oct. 1 to Nov. 30		
(Zone 3) [10, 13]	Oct. 4 to Nov. 30		
Including no more than:			
Canada [11, 12]		1	1
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and White-fronted geese combined		[illegible]	3
Snow (including blue		5	5
Minnesota:			
Ducks [1]	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17 [13]	5	10
Including no more than:			
Mallards (no more than 2 female mallards daily or 4 in possession)		[illegible]	[illegible]
Black ducks		1	[illegible]
Wood ducks		2	4
Canvasbacks or redheads (except in closed areas)		1	1
Mergansers		5	10
Including no more than:			
Hooded mergansers		1	2
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
In Lac Qui Parle Quota			
Zone [6, 14]	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17		
Including no more than:			
Canada or white fronted (including no more than 2 white-fronted geese in possession)		1	[illegible]
Snow (including blue)		[illegible]	[illegible]
In Southeastern Zone [15]	Sept. 29 to Dec. 7		
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	[illegible]
White-fronted		2	[illegible]
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	[illegible]
Snow (including blue)		5	[illegible]
In remainder of State	Sept. 29 to Nov. 17		
Including no more than:			
Canada		[illegible]	[illegible]
White-fronted		[illegible]	[illegible]
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	[illegible]
Snow (including blue)		5	[illegible]
Mississippi:			
Ducks	Dec. 8 to Dec. 9 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 31	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese:			
Canada geese	Closed		
Other geese	Oct. 13 to Nov. 3 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 31	[illegible]	5
Including no more than:			
White-fronted		[illegible]	2
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Missouri: [8]			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
North Zone [16]	Oct. 24 to Dec. 12		
South Zone [16]	Nov. 14 to Jan. 2		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	[illegible]
Including no more than:			
Canada:			
Southern Area east of U.S. Highway 67 and south of Crystal City.	Dec. 7 to Jan. 20	2	[illegible]
In Swan Lake Zone [6, 9]	Oct. 24 to Jan. 1	([17])	([17])
In remainder of State	Oct. 24 to Dec. 7	2	[illegible]
White-fronted	Oct. 24 to Jan. 1	2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined.		2	[illegible]
Snow (including blue)	Oct. 24 to Jan. 1	5	[illegible]
Ohio:			
In Pymatuning Area: [9]			
Ducks	Oct. 10 [18] to Oct. 20 and Oct. 31 to Dec. 8	4	8
Including no more than:			
Black ducks		2	[illegible]
Wood ducks		2	2
Canvasback or redhead		1	1
Coots		15	30
Mergansers (except hooded)		5	10
Hooded mergansers		1	[illegible]
Geese	Oct. 10 [19] to Dec. 16		
Including no more than:			
Canada		3	6
Snow (including blue)		[illegible]	[illegible]

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Ohio:			
In the remainder of State:			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
North Zone [19]	Oct. 12 to Nov. 24 and Dec. 24 to Dec. 29		
South Zone [19]	Oct. 19 to Oct. 27 and Nov. 19 to Dec. 29		
Coots		15	30
Geese	Oct. 12 to Dec. 14 and Dec. 24 to Dec. 29	5	5
Including no more than:			
Canada:			
In Ashtabula, Auglaize, Erie, Lucas, Marion, Mercer, Ottawa, Sandusky, Trumbull, and Wyandot Counties		1	2
In remainder of State		2	2
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted greese combined		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Tennessee:			
Ducks [1]		Point system.	
Reel foot Zone [20]	Nov. 17 to Jan. 5		
Remainder of State	Dec. to Jan. 19		
Coots		15	30
Geese	Nov. 12 to Jan. 20		
Including no more than:			
Canada: [21]			
West of State Highway 13		2	2
In remainder of State		1	2
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white fronted geese combined:			
West of State Highway 13		4	4
In remainder of State		3	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Wisconsin:			
Ducks [1]	Oct. 1 [18] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Nov. 24	Point system [22]	
Coots		15	30
Geese [6]		5	5
In Horicon Zone [23]	Oct. 1 [18] to Dec. 9		
Including no more than:			
Canada	Oct. 1 [18] to Oct. 31	1	1
	Nov. 1 to Dec. 9	2	2
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	2
Snow (including blue)		5	5
In Central Zone [23]	Oct. 1 [18] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Dec. 9		
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	2
Snow (including blue)		5	5
In Rock Prairie Zone [23]			
Including no more than:			
Canada	Oct. 1 [18] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Nov. 25	1	2
White-fronted	Oct. 1 [18] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Dec. 9	2	2
Canada and white-fronted combined		2	2
Snow (including blue)		5	5
In remainder of the State	Oct. 1 [18] to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Dec. 9		
Including no more than:			
Canada		1	2
White-fronted		2	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	2
Snow (including blue)		5	5

[1] The areas closed to canvasback and redhead hunting are:

Mississippi River—Entire river, both sides, from Alton Dam upstream to Prescott, Wisconsin, at confluence of St. Croix River.

Alabama—Baldwin and Mobile Counties.

Louisiana—Caddo, St. Charles, and St. Mary Parishes; that portion of Ward 1 formerly designated as Ward 6 of St. Martin Parish; and Catahoula Lake in LaSalle and Rapides Parishes.

Michigan—Arenac, Bay, Huron, Macomb, Monroe, St. Clair, Tuscola, and Wayne Counties, and those adjacent waters of Saginaw Bay south of a line extending from Point au Gres in Sec. 6, T18N, R7E (Arenac County) to Sand Point in Sec. 11, T17N, R9E (Huron County), the St. Clair River, Lake St. Clair, the Detroit River and Lake Erie, under the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan.

Minnesota—Douglas, Mahnomen, Polk, Pope and Sibley Counties. Where the county line of any of the above counties crosses any portion of a lake, that entire lake is closed. In addition, all land in Sec. 13, T130N, R31W (i.e., land between Lake Christina and Pelican Lake) is closed.

Ohio—Land and water areas comprising Erie, Ottawa and Sandusky Counties.

Tennessee—Kentucky Lake lying north of Interstate Highway 40.

Wisconsin—In the Mississippi River Zone, all that portion of Wisconsin west of the Burlington-Northern Railroad in Grant, Crawford, Vernon, LaCrosse, Trempealeau, Buffalo, Pepin and Pierce Counties. Also, the following lakes and waters, including a strip of land 100 yards wide adjacent to the shorelines thereof: Lake Poygan in Winnebago and Waushara Counties and Lakes Winneconne and Butte des Morts, including the connecting waters thereof, in Winnebago County.

[2] In Alabama, the *South Zone* consists of Mobile and Baldwin Counties. The *North Zone* consists of the remainder of Alabama.

[3] In the lower St. Francis River area of Arkansas and Missouri, the Missouri regulations apply. The *lower St. Francis River* area is defined as that part of the St. Francis River south of U.S. Highway 62 that is the boundary between Arkansas and Missouri and all sloughs and chutes (but not tributaries) connected to it.

[4] In Illinois, the *North Zone* is that portion of the State north of U.S. Highway 50. The *South Zone* is the remainder of Illinois.

[5] Shooting hours for geese are sunrise until 3 p.m local time.

[6] In Illinois and Wisconsin, the kill of Canada geese will be limited to 35,000 in each State. In the Ballard County Zone of Kentucky, the kill will be limited to 15,000 birds. In the Swan Lake Zone of Missouri the kill of Canada geese will be limited to 25,000 birds. In the Lac Qui Parle Zone of Minnesota, the kill of Canada geese will be limited to 7,000 birds. When it is determined by the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, that the quota of Canada geese allotted to the Southern Illinois Zone, the Swan Lake Zone of Missouri, or the Ballard County Zone of Kentucky will have been filled, the season for taking Canada geese in the respective area will be closed by the Director upon giving public notice through local information media at least 48 hours in advance of the time and date of closing.

[7] In Indiana, the *North Zone* consists of that portion of the State north of State Highway 18. The *South Zone* consists of the remainder of Indiana.

[8] See State regulations for area descriptions.

[9] In Louisiana the *West Zone* is described as follows: that portion of Louisiana west of a boundary beginning at the Arkansas-Louisiana border on Louisiana Highway 3; then south along Louisiana Highway 3 to Shreveport; then east along Interstate 20 to Minden; then south along Lousiana Highway 7 to Ringgold; then east along Louisiana Highway 4 to Jonesboro; then south along U.S. Highway 167 to Lafayette; then southeast along U.S. Highway 90 to Houma; then south along the Houma Navigation Channel to the Gulf of Mexico through Cat Island Pass. The *East Zone* consists of the remainder of Louisiana.

[10] The *North Zone* is the Upper Peninsula. The *South Zone* comprises the lower Peninsula. See State regulations for descriptions of Zones 2 and 3.

[11] In Michigan, in Baraga, Dickinson, Delta, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Marquette, Menominee and Ontonagon Counties, the daily bag limit is 2 Canada geese or 2 white-fronted geese or 1 of each and the possession limit is 2 Canada and 2 white-fronted geese.

[12] In Michigan, in the *Southeastern Canada Goose Management Area*—(as described in State regulations)—from October 4 through November 14, the daily bag limit is 1 Canada goose or 2 white-fronted geese or 1 of each, and the possession limit is 1 Canada and 2 white-fronted geese; from November 15 through December 9, the daily bag limit is 2 Canada geese or 2 white-fronted geese or 1 of each, and the possession limit is 2 Canada and 2 white-fronted geese. See State regulations for additional restrictions in Genesee, Lapeer, and Saginaw Counties.

[13] In Minnesota, the shooting hours for ducks vary as follows: Sept. 29—12 noon to 4 p.m.; Sept. 30 through Oct. 19—½ hour before sunrise to 4 p.m.; and Oct. 20 through Nov. 17—½ hour before sunrise through sunset.

[14] In Minnesota, the *Lac Qui Parle Zone* is described in State regulations.

[15] In Minnesota, the *Southeastern Zone* is described in State regulations.

[16] In Missouri the *North Zone* consists of that portion of the State north of a line running easterly from the Kansas-Missouri border along U.S. Highway 160 to the junction of U.S. Highway 60 in Springfield, along U.S. Highway 60 to the junction of State Highway 21, along State Highway 21 to the junction of State Highway 34, and along State Highway 34 to the Illinois-Missouri border along the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau. The *South Zone* consists of the remainder of Missouri.

[17] In the Swan Lake zone of Missouri, through November 25, the daily bag limit is 1 Canada goose or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each; the possession limit is 2 Canada and 2 white-fronted geese. After November 25, the daily bag limit is 2 Canada geese, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each; the possession limit is 4 Canada and white-fronted geese in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be white-fronted geese.

[18] On the first day the season opens at 12 noon.

[19] In Ohio the *North Zone* consists of the counties of Darke, Miami, Clark, Champaign, Union, Delaware, Licking, Muskingum, Guernsey, Harrison and Jefferson and all counties north thereof. In addition, the North Zone also includes that portion of the Buckeye Lake area in Fairfield and Perry Counties bounded on the west by State Highway 37, on the south by State Highway 204, and on the east by State Highway 13. The *South Zone* consists of the remainder of the Ohio.

[20] In Tennessee, the *Reelfoot Zone* is defined as all of the Reelfoot Wildlife Management Area plus that area lying between the eastern boundaries of the Reelfoot Wildlife Management Area and Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge and State Highways 157 and 22, from the Kentucky State line southward to the spillway outlet of Reelfoot Lake.

[21] In Tennessee the season on Canada geese is closed in the Canada Goose Restoration Areas (see State regulations). The season on Canada geese is also closed in that portion of southwestern Tennessee bounded on the north by State Highways 20 and 104, and on the east by U.S. Highways 45W and 45.

[22] In Wisconsin the point-system season is split, with different point values assigned during each split season by State regulation. See Wisconsin regulations for point values assigned by the State for various species during each season.

[23] In Wisconsin, the *Horicon Zone* is defined as those portions of the counties of Fond duc Lac, Green Lake, Washington and Dodge enclosed by a line beginning at the intersection of State Highway 175 and State Highway 23 in Fond du Lac County, then southerly on State Highway 175 to its intersection with State Highway 33, then westerly on State Highway 33 to the city of Beaver Dam, then northerly on State Highway 33 to its intersection with County Highway A, then northerly on County Highway A to its intersection with County Highway S, then easterly on County Highway S and continuing easterly on County Highway AS to its intersection with County Highway E, then northerly on County Highway E to its intersection with State Highway 23, then easterly on State Highway 23 to the point of beginning. The *Central Zone* is defined as those portions of Fond du Lac, Winnebago, Green Lake, Marquette, Columbia and Dodge Counties enclosed by a line beginning in Winnebago County at the intersection of State Highway 21 and U.S. Highway 45, then southerly on U.S. Highway 45 to its intersection with State Highway 175, then southerly on State Highway 175 to its intersection with State Highway 23, then westerly on State Highway 23 to its intersection with County Highway E, then southerly on County Highway E to its intersection with County Highway AS, then westerly on County Highway AS and continuing westerly on County Highway S to its intersection with County Highway A, then southerly on County Highway A to its intersection with State Highway 33, then southeasterly on State Highway 33 to its intersection with U.S. Highway 151, then southwesterly on U.S. Highway 151 to its intersection with State Highway 73, then northerly on State Highway 73 to its intersection with State Highway 33, then westerly on State Highway 33 to its intersection with State Highway 22, then northerly on State Highway 22 to its intersection with State Highway 23, then northeasterly on State Highway 23 to its intersection with State Highway 49, then northerly on State Highway 49 to its intersection with State Highway 116, then easterly on State Highway 116 to State Highway 21, then easterly on State Highway 21 to the point of beginning. The *Rock Prairie Zone* is defined as that portion of the State encompassed by the boundaries described as follows: starting at the Illinois State line with its intersection with Interstate Highway 90 in Rock County, proceeding north to County Trunk Highway A, east on County Trunk Highway A to its intersection with U.S. Highway 12 in Walworth County, southeast on U.S. Highway 12 to State Highway 50, west on State Highway 50 to State Highway 120, south on State Highway 120 to its intersection with the Illinois State line.

Central Flyway

The Central Flyway consists of Colorado (east of the Continental Divide), Kansas, Montana (east of Hill, Chouteau, Cascade, Meagher, and Park Counties), Nebraska, New Mexico (east of the Continental Divide and outside the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation), North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming (east of the Continental Divide).

Dark geese include Canada geese and white-fronted geese.

Light geese include snow (and blue) geese and Ross' geese.

Flywaywide Restrictions

Shooting (including hawking) hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily except as otherwise noted.

Mergansers—All mergansers are to be included within the daily bag and possession limits under conventional and point system regulations.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas within States. Special restrictions may apply on Federal and State public hunting areas.

The season dates for mergansers and coots are the same at those for ducks in the following tables:

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Colorado:			
Ducks	Sept. 29 to Oct. 12 and Nov. 10 to Jan. 17	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese	Nov. 10 to Jan. 20	2	4
Kansas [1]:			
Ducks		Point system.	
In High Plains area	Oct. 6 to Oct 21 and Oct. 27 to Jan. 1		
In remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Oct. 14 and Oct. 27 to Dec. 23		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
Dark geese		2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada	Oct. 13 to Dec. 23	1	2
White-fronted		1	2
Light geese	Oct. 20 to Jan. 13		
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Montana:			
Ducks	Sept. 29 to Nov. 27 and Dec. 10 to Jan. 1	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30	2	4
Nebraska:			
Ducks:			
In High Plains area	Oct. 13 to Jan. 3	Point system.	
In remainder of State	Oct. 6 to Oct. 7 and Oct. 13 to Dec. 9		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
East of U.S. Highway 183:			
Dark geese	Oct. 6 to Dec. 16	2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada		1	2
White-fronted		1	2
Light geese	Sept. 29 to Dec. 23		
Snow (including blue and Ross').		5	5
West of U.S. Highway 183:			
Dark geese	Oct. 6 to Dec. 16		
Including no more than:			
Canada	Oct. 6 to Nov. 18	2	4
	Nov. 19 to Dec. 16	1	2
White-fronted		1	2
Canada and white-fronted geese combined.	Oct. 6 to Nov. 18	2	4
	Nov. 19 to Dec. 16	2	2
Light geese	Sept. 29 to Dec. 23		
Snow (including blue and Ross')		5	5
New Mexico:			
Ducks	Oct. 30 to Jan. 20	Point system.	
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
In Bernalillo, Sandoval, Sierra, Valencia and Socorro Counties [2].	Dec. 15 to Dec. 30		
Including no more than:			
Canada		1	1
White-fronted		1	1
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		1	1
Snow (including blue)	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	5	5
In remainder of State	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20		
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	4
White-fronted		2	4
Canada and white-fronted geese combined		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
North Dakota:			
Ducks [3]	Sept. 29 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 1 to Dec. 2	5	10
Including no more than:			
Female mallards		1	2
Canvasback (except in closed area) *or* redhead		1	1
Wood ducks		2	4
Hooded mergansers		1	2

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
North Dakota:			
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
Dark geese	Sept. 29 to Nov. 18	2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada		1	2
White-fronted		2	2
Light geese (including snow, blue, and Ross').	Sept. 29 to Dec. 9	5	5
Oklahoma:			
Ducks		Point system.	
In High Plains area	Oct. 13 to Jan. 3		
In remainder of State	Oct. 27 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 13		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
In Alfalfa, Bryan, Johnston, and Marshall Counties:.			
Dark geese	Nov. 1 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 13	2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
White-fronted		1	2
Light geese (including snow, blue, and Ross')	Oct. 6 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 20	5	5
In the remainder of State		5	5
Dark geese	Oct. 13 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 13	2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
White-fronted		1	2
Light geese (including snow, blue, and Ross')	Oct. 6 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 17 to Jan. 20	5	5
South Dakota:			
Ducks [3]		Point system.	
In High Plains area	Oct. 6 to Dec. 4 and Dec. 15 to Jan. 6		
In remainder of State	Oct. 6 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 1 to Dec. 9		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
In Buffalo, Brule, Hughes, Hyde, Lyman, Potter, Stanley, and Sully Counties.			
Dark geese	Sept. 29 to Nov. 25	2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada		1	2
White-fronted		1	2
Light geese (including snow, blue, and Ross')	Sept. 29 to Dec. 23	5	5
In remainder of State:			
Dark geese	Sept. 29 to Dec. 9	2	2
Including no more than:			
Canada [4]		1	2
White-fronted geese		1	2
Light geese (including snow, blue, and Ross')	Sept. 29 to Dec. 23	5	5
Texas:			
Ducks (except black-bellied tree duck and masked duck).		Point system.	
In High Plains area	Oct. 30 to Jan. 20		
In remainder of State	Nov. 10 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 8 to Jan. 20		
Black-bellied tree duck and masked duck	Closed season		
Coots		15	30
Geese		5	5
East of U.S. Highway 81:			
Dark geese	Oct. 29 to Nov. 25 and Dec. 8 to Jan. 20	1	2
Including no more than:			
Canada		1	2
White-fronted		1	2
Light geese	Oct. 29 to Jan. 20		
Snow (including blue)		5	5
West of U.S. Highway 81:			
Geese	Oct. 30 to Jan. 20	5	5
Including no more than:			
Dark geese		2	4
Canada		2	4
White-fronted		2	4
Snow (including blue)		5	5
Wyoming:			
Ducks and coots	Sept. 29 to Oct. 28 and Nov. 16 to Jan. 7	Point system [5]	
Geese	Oct. 7 to Jan. 7	2	4

[1] In Kansas, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except in the northeast Kansas counties of Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Douglas, Jefferson, and Leavenworth where the goose shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise till 1 p.m.

[2] See State and other Federal regulations for special restrictions on Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge.

[3] The areas closed to canvasback hunting are: North Dakota—That portion lying east of State Highway 3, including all or portions of 27 counties. South Dakota—All of Marshall County; that portion of Day County east of State Highway 25; that portion of Codington County south of State Highway 20 and west of U.S. Highway 81; that portion of Hamlin County west of U.S. Highway 81; and that portion of Kingsbury County east of State Highway 25 and north of U.S. Highway 14.

[4] See State regulations for special seasons and limits on Canada geese in local areas.

[5] In Wyoming, coots are assigned 10 points.

Pacific Flyway

The Pacific Flyway consists of Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington; those portions of Colorado and Wyoming lying west of the Continental Divide; New Mexico west of the Continental Divide plus the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation; and in Montana, the counties of Hill, Chouteau, Cascade, Meagher, and Park, and all counties west thereof.

Flywaywide Restrictions

Shooting (including hawking) hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily.

In all States in the Pacific Flyway:

Aleutian Canada geese—the season is closed on Aleutian Canada geese throughout the Flyway.

Canvasbacks/Redheads—No more than 2 canvasbacks or 2 redheads or 1 of each may be taken daily nor more than 4 singly or in the aggregate may be possessed.

Mergansers—5 daily and 10 in possession of which not more than 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers. These limits are in addition to the regular waterfowl limits.

Coots and gallinules (singly or in the aggregate)—25 daily and in possession. These limits are in addition to the regular waterfowl limits.

Dark geese—No more than 3 dark (Canada and white-fronted) geese may be taken daily nor more than 6 may be possessed.

White geese—No more than 3 white (snow, including blue, and Ross') geese may be taken daily nor more than 6 may be possessed. Unless otherwise noted, limits for dark geese are for Canada and white-fronted geese, either singly or in the aggregate; and limits for white geese are for snow, including blue, and Ross' geese, either singly or in the aggregate.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas within States. Special restrictions may apply on Federal and State public hunting areas.

The season dates for mergansers and coots are the same as those for ducks in the following tables.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Arizona: [1]			
Ducks	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	7	14
Geese		6	6
Mohave and Yuma Counties	Nov. 10 to Jan. 6		
Including no more than:			
Dark (no more than 2 Canada geese or 3 white-fronted geese).		3	3
White (including no more than 1 Ross' goose).		3	3
Remainder of State	Nov. 10 to Jan. 20		
Including no more than:			
Dark (no more than 2 Canada geese or 3 white-fronted geese).		3	3
White (including no more than 1 Ross' goose).		3	3
California:			
Northeastern Zone:			
Ducks	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	7	14
Geese (including no more than 2 dark and 2 white geese in the daily bag).	Oct. 27 to Jan. 13	4	4
Brant	Jan. 12 to Feb. 20	4	8
Southern Zone:			
Ducks	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	7	14
Geese	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	6	6
Including no more than:			
Dark (except the open season on Canada geese shall be from Nov. 10, 1979, through Jan. 20, 1980, and Canada geese may not exceed 2 in the daily bag and possession limits; but in that portion of District 22 in the Southern Zone, the season for Canada geese shall be Oct. 27, 1979, through January 6, 1980, and Canada geese may not exceed 1 in the daily bag or 2 in possession).		3	3
White		3	3
Brant	Jan. 12 to Feb. 20	4	8
Colorado River Zone:			
Ducks	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	7	14
Geese	Nov. 10 to Jan. 6	6	6
Including no more than:			
Dark (no more than 2 Canada geese)		3	3
White		3	3
Brant	Jan. 12 to Feb. 20	4	8
Balance-of-the-State Zone:			
Ducks	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	7	14
Geese		2	2
Including no more than:			
Dark			
Counties of Del Norte and Humboldt	Closed season		
Sacramento Valley Area [2]	Dec. 15 to Jan. 20	1	2
San Joaquin Valley Area [3]	Oct. 20 to Nov. 23	1	2
Remaining areas	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	1	2
White	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	3	3
Brant	Jan. 12 to Feb. 20	4	8
Colorado:			
Ducks	Sept. 29 to Oct. 12 and Nov. 3 to Jan. 20	7	14
Geese:			
Delores, Gunnison, and Montezuma Counties.	Closed		
Browns Park Area [4]	Nov. 3 to Dec. 9	1	1
West Central Permit Area:			
Delta and Montrose Counties	Nov. 3 to Dec. 23	1 per season	
Mesa County	Nov. 17 to Dec. 23	2 per season	
Garfield County	Sept. 29 to Oct. 12 and Nov. 17 to Dec. 23	4 per season	
In remainder of State	Oct. 27 to Dec. 23	2	2

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Idaho:			
Ducks: [5]			
Counties of Adams, Bear Lake, Boise, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Clearwater, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Idaho, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Teton, Valley, and that portion of Blackfoot Reservoir drainage lying within Bingham County.	Oct. 6 to Jan. 6	7	14
In remainder of State	Oct. 6 to Jan. 13	7	14
Geese:			
Northern 10 counties (Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, and Shoshone).	Oct. 6 to Jan. 6	3	6
Including no more than:			
Ross'		1	1
Fremont County within the North Fork of the Snake River drainage above the new Wendell Bridge near Ashton.	Oct. 13 to Nov. 25	3	6
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
White	Closed		
Remainder of Fremont County, Clark, Madison, and Teton Counties.	Oct. 13 to Dec. 23	3	6
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
White	Closed		
Blaine County lying south and west of U.S. Highway 93, and the counties of Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls.	Oct. 27 to Dec. 23	3	6
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
Ross'		1	1
In remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Dec. 23	3	6
Including no more than:			
Canada		2	2
Ross'		1	1
Montana:			
Ducks	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30	7	14
Geese	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30	5	5
Including no more than:			
Dark		2	2
White		3	3
Nevada:			
Ducks:			
Clark County	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	7	14
In remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	7	14
Geese:			
Clark County	Dec. 1 to Jan. 20	5	5
Including no more than:			
Dark		2	2
White		3	3
Elko County and Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge in White Pine County [6].	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	5	5
Including no more than:			
Dark		2	2
White		3	3
White River Valley in Nye County	Dec. 12 to Dec. 23		
Dark		1	1
White		3	3
In remainder of State [6]		5	5
Including no more than:			
Dark	Nov. 17 to Jan. 20	2	2
White	Oct. 20 to Jan. 20	3	3
New Mexico:			
Ducks	Oct. 6 to Jan. 6	7	14
Geese:			
North of I-40/U.S. 66	Season closed		
South of I-40/U.S. 66	Oct. 6 to Dec. 16	6	6
Including no more than:			
Dark (no more than 2 Canada geese)		3	3
White		3	3
Oregon:			
Ducks:			
Baker, Gilliam, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa and Wasco Counties.	Oct. 13 to Jan. 20	7	14
In remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	7	14

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Geese:			
Western Oregon [7]	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	2	2
Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Jefferson, Union, Wallowa and Wheeler Counties.	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	6	6
Including no more than:			
Dark		3	6
White		3	6
Baker and Malheur Counties	Oct. 13 to Dec. 23	2	2
Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, and Wasco Counties	Oct. 13 to Jan. 20	6	6
Including no more than:			
Dark		3	6
White		3	6
Klamath and Lake Counties			
Geese (no more than 1 dark and 1 white geese in the daily bag)	Oct. 13 to Oct. 26	2	2
Geese (no more than 3 dark and 3 white geese in the daily bag)	Oct. 27 to Jan. 13	6	6
Brant—Statewide	Nov. 17 to Feb. 17	4	8
Utah:			
Ducks [8]	Oct. 6 to Jan. 6	7	14
Geese		5	5
Daggett County	Nov. 3 to Dec. 9		
Including no more than:			
Canada goose		1	1
White geese		3	3
Washington County	Nov. 10 to Jan. 20		
Including no more than:			
Dark		2	2
White		3	3
In remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Dec. 23		
Including no more than:			
Dark		2	2
White		3	3
Washington: [9]			
Ducks:			
Eastern Washington	Oct. 13 to Jan. 20	7	14
Western Washington	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	7	14
Geese: [9]			
Adams, Benton, Douglas, Franklin, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat, Lincoln, Walla Walla, and Yakima Counties	Oct. 13 to Jan. 20	3	6
Island, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom Counties.	Oct. 13 to Dec. 31	2	4
In remainder of State	Oct. 13 to Jan. 13	3	6
Brant [10]—Statewide	Nov. 17 to Feb. 17	3	6
Wyoming:			
Ducks (including mergansers and coots), singly or in the aggregate.	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30	7	14
Geese:			
In all of the drainage of the Green River in Carbon, Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, Teton, and Uinta, Counties.	Sept. 29 to Dec. 10	2	2
Those portions of the above named counties not in the drainage of the Green River.	Sept. 29 to Dec. 30	2	2

[1] The Imperial, Cibola and Havasu National Wildlife Refuges, Arizona, are open to waterfowl hunting except for posted portions. Ashurst Lake in State Game Management Unit 5B is closed to all waterfowl hunting during the 1979-80 waterfowl season. Unit 1, Unit 27, and that portion of Unit 25B lying east of Highway 273 are closed to the taking of Canada geese and its subspecies for the entire season. All of Units 3A and 3B lying east of Highways 77 and 260 are closed to the taking of Canada geese and its subspecies through December 1, 1979

[2] In California the Sacramento Valley Area is encompassed as follows: beginning at Willows in Glenn County proceeding south on Interstate Highway 5 to the junction with Hahn Road north of Arbuckle in Colusa County; then easterly on Hahn Road and the Grimes-Arbuckle Road to Grimes on the Sacramento River, then south on the Sacramento River to the Tisdale By-pass; then easterly on the Tisdale By-pass to where it meets O'Banion Road; then easterly on O'Banion Road to State Highway 99; then northerly on State Highway 99 to its junction with the Gridley-Colusa Highway in Gridley in Butte County; then westerly on the Gridley-Colusa Highway to its junction with the River Road; then northerly on the River Road to the Princeton Ferry; then westerly across the Sacramento River to State Highway 45; then northerly on State Highway 45 to its junction with State Highway 162; then continuing northerly on State Highway 45-162 to Glen; then westerly on State Highway 162 to the point of beginning in Willows.

[3] In California the San Joaquin Valley is the area described as follows: beginning at Modesto in Stanislaus County proceeding west on State Highway 132 to the junction of Interstate 5; then southerly on Interstate 5 to the junction of State Highway 152 in Merced County; then easterly on State Highway 152 to the junction of State Highway 59; then northerly on State Highway 59 to the junction of State Highway 99 at Merced; then northerly and westerly to the point of beginning in Modesto.

[4] In Colorado, that portion of Moffat County west of County Road from Greystone to Rock Springs, Wyoming, and north of Cottonwood Creek, Green River, and Pot Creek.

[5] In Idaho, in Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai, and Shoshone Counties, no more than 1 wood duck may be taken daily nor more than 1 may be possessed.

[6] In Nevada, the season is closed on all geese in the Pahranagat Valley of Lincoln County; the season is closed on snow and Ross' geese in the Ruby Valley of Elko County and White Pine County.

[7] Western Oregon consists of all counties west of the summit of the Cascades excluding Klamath and Hood River Counties.

[8] Shooting hours are from noon through sunset on the first day of the season.

[9] Geese may be hunted only on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays, and on November 22 and 23, and December 25, 1979, in Adams, Benton, Douglas, Franklin, Grant, Lincoln, Okanogan, Spokane, and Walla Walla Counties; and east of Satus Pass (U.S. Highway 97) in Klickitat County during regular season in these counties.

[10] Brant may be hunted only on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays, and on November 22 and 23, and December 25, 1979, and January 1 and February 11 through 15, 1980.

(e) *Point system—Ducks, mergansers, and coots.* The States selecting the point system bag limits on designated species are listed in the table under § 20.105(d).

(1) The point values assigned to the species and sexes are as follows:

Atlantic Flyway

100 points	70 points	10 points	25 points
Canvasback (except in closed areas) Florida only: Fulvous tree duck	Female mallard Black duck Mottled duck Wood duck [1] Redhead (except in closed areas) Hooded merganser	Pintail Blue-winged teal Green-winged teal [2] Shoveler Gadwall Wigeon Scaup Sea ducks [3] Mergansers (except hooded)	Male mallard and all other species of ducks

[1] In Virginia during October 3 through October 6, the wood duck counts 25 points.
[2] In New Jersey the point value for green-winged teal is 25 by State regulation.
[3] Sea ducks count 10 points each during the point-system season, but during any part of the regular sea duck season falling outside the point-system season, sea duck daily bag and possession limits of 7 and 14, respectively, apply.

Mississippi Flyway

100 points	70 points	10 points	25 points
Canvasback (except where closed)	Female mallard Black duck Wood duck Redhead (except where closed) [2] Hooded merganser	Pintail Blue-winged teal Green-winged teal Cinnamon teal Wigeon Shoveler Gadwall Scaup Mergansers (except hooded)	Male mallard and all other species of ducks

[1] In Wisconsin the pointed-system season is split, with different, more restrictive point values assigned during each split season by State regulation. See Wisconsin regulations for point values assigned by the State for various species during each season.
[2] In Illinois the redhead is assigned 100 points by State regulation.

Central Flyway

100points	70 points	10 points [1]	20 points
Canvasback (except where closed)	Female mallard Mexican-like duck Wood duck Redhead Hooded merganser Texas only: Mottled duck	Pintail Blue-winged teal Green-winged teal Cinnamon teal Shoveler Gadwall Wigeon Scaup Mergansers (except hooded)	Male mallard and all other species of ducks Texas only: Fulvous tree duck

[1] In Wyoming the coot is assigned 10 points.

Pacific Flyway: There is no point system in the Pacific Flyway.

Coots have no point value (except in Wyoming) but conventional bag limits of 15 daily and 30 in possession apply.

(2) The daily bag limit is reached when the point value of the last bird taken added to the sum of the point values of the other birds already taken during that day reaches or exceeds 100 points. The possession limit is the maximum number of birds of species and sex which could have legally been taken in 2 days. The shooting (including hawking) hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset daily unless otherwise indicated.

(f) *Scaup only season.* A special hunting season for scaup only is prescribed according to the following table in those areas which are described, delineated, and designated in the hunting regulations of the respective States.

Daily bag limit	5
Possession limit	10

Shooting (including hawking) hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas within States.

Seasons in the Atlantic Flyway:	
Connecticut	Jan. 16 to Jan. 31.
Florida	Jan. 21 to Jan. 31.
Maryland	Nov. 24 to Dec. 8.
Massachusetts	Nov. 30 to Dec. 15.
New Jersey	Jan. 4 to Jan. 19.
New York: Long Island zone only	Jan. 5 to Jan. 20.
Rhode Island	Jan. 12 to Jan. 27.
Virginia	Jan. 21 to Jan. 31
Seasons in the Mississippi Flyway:	
Indiana	Dec. 9 to Dec. 24.
Louisiana	Jan. 21 to Jan. 31.
Michigan	Nov. 23 to Dec. 8.
Ohio (North Zone Only)	Dec. 3 to Dec. 18.
Wisconsin	Nov. 25 to Dec. 10.

(g) *Extra teal during regular season.* Hunting seasons for blue-winged and green-winged teal ducks in the Atlantic Flyway, and blue-winged teal only in the Central Flyway, are prescribed according to the following table. The daily bag and possession limits specified here are in addition to any other bag and possession limits specified elsewhere.

Daily bag limit	2
Possession limit	4

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas within States.

Seasons in the Atlantic Flyway:	
Connecticut	Oct. 20 to Oct. 27.
Delaware	Oct. 1 to Oct. 6. Nov. 7 to Nov. 9.
Georgia	Nov. 21 to Nov. 25.
Maine:	
North zone	Oct. 1 to Oct. 9
South zone	Oct. 1 [2] to Oct. 9
Massachusetts	Oct. 10 to Oct. 18.
New Hampshire	Oct. 3 to Oct. 11
New York:	
North zone	Oct. 3 to Oct. 11
South zone	Oct. 10 to Oct. 18.
West zone	Oct. 10 to Oct. 18.
Lake Champlain	Oct. 3 [2] to Oct. 11.
Long Island	Nov. 14 to Nov. 22
North Carolina:	
East zone	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24. Dec. 5 to Dec. 9.
West zone	Oct. 3 to Oct. 6. Dec. 5 to Dec. 9.
Pennsylvania	Oct. 10 [1] to Oct. 18.
South Carolina	Jan. 11 to Jan. 19.
Vermont	Oct. 3 [2] to Oct. 11.
West Virginia	Oct. 5 to Oct. 13.
Seasons in the Mississippi Flyway:	
None	
Seasons in the Central Flyway:	
North Dakota	Sept. 29 to Oct. 7.
Seasons in the Pacific Flyway:	
None.	

[1] Shooting hours on first day begin at 12 noon.
[2] Shooting hours on first day begin at 8 a.m.

(h) *Extra scaup during regular season.* The following States may take an extra bag limit on scaup of two daily and four in possession during the regular duck hunting season. The daily bag and possession limits specified here are in addition to any other bag and possession limits specified elsewhere.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas within States.

Seasons in the Atlantic Flyway:	
Delaware	Oct. 1 to Oct. 6. Nov. 7 to Nov. 24. Dec. 18 to Jan. 12.
Georgia	Nov. 21 to Nov. 25. Dec. 7 to Jan. 20.
Maine (South zone only)	Oct. 1 [1] to Oct. 20. Nov. 16 to Dec. 15.
New Hampshire	Oct. 3 to Oct. 28. Nov. 23 to Dec. 16.
New York:	
North zone	Oct. 3 to Oct. 28. Nov. 9 to Dec. 2.
South zone	Oct. 10 to Oct. 21. Nov. 2 to Dec. 9.
West zone	Oct. 10 to Nov. 15. Dec. 21 to Jan. 2.
North Carolina (Eastern zone)	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24. Dec. 5 to Jan. 19.
Pennsylvania (on waters of Lake Erie and Presque Isle Bay only).	Oct. 27 to Dec. 15.
South Carolina	Nov. 21 to Nov. 24. Dec. 5 to Jan. 19.
West Virginia	Oct. 3 to Oct. 20. Dec. 12 to Jan. 12.

[1] Shooting hours on first day begin at 12 noon.

(i) *Special scaup and goldeneye season.* A special hunting season for scaup and goldeneye is prescribed according to the following table in the Lake Champlain areas which are described, delineated, and designated in the hunting regulations of the respective States.

Daily bag limit is 3 scaups or 3 goldeneyes or 3 in the aggregate.

The possession limit is 6 scaup or 6 goldeneyes or 6 in the aggregate.

Shooting (including hawking) hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset daily.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions and delineations of geographical areas within States.

Seasons in the Lake Champlain area only:	
New York	Dec. 4 to Dec. 19.
Vermont	Dec. 4 to Dec. 19.

3. Section 20.106 is amended as follows:

§ 20.106 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for sandhill cranes.

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, open seasons are prescribed for taking sandhill cranes with a daily bag limit of three and a possession limit of six, and with shooting (including hawking) hours from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, in the following areas for the dates indicated:

(a) In the Central Flyway portion of Colorado except the San Luis Valley area, seasons dates are October 13 through November 18, 1979.

(b) In the New Mexico counties of Chaves, Curry, De Baca, Eddy, Lea, Quay, and Roosevelt, and in that portion of Texas west of a boundary from the Oklahoma border along U.S. Highway 287 to U.S. Highway 87 at Dumas, along U.S. Highway 87 (and including all of Howard and Lynn Counties) to U.S. Highway 277 at San Angelo, and along U.S. Highway 277 to the International Toll Bridge in Del Rio, season dates in the New Mexico portion are October 27, 1979, through January 27, 1980, and in the Texas portion, October 30, 1979, through January 30, 1980.

(c) In that portion of Oklahoma lying west of U.S. Highway 81, and in that portion of Texas east of a boundary from the Oklahoma border along U.S. Highway 287 to U.S. Highway 87 at Dumas, then along U.S. Highway 87 to San Angelo, and west of a line running north from San Angelo along U.S. Highway 277 to Abilene, along State Highway 351 to Albany, along U.S. Highway 283 to Vernon, and then along U.S. Highway 183 east to the Oklahoma border, season dates in the Oklahoma portion are November 24, 1979, through January 20, 1980, and in the Texas portion, December 4, 1979, through January 30, 1980.

(d) In the North Dakota counties of Kidder, Stutsman, Benson, Emmons, Pierce, McLean, Sheridan, and Burleigh, and in the South Dakota counties of Campbell, Walworth, Potter, Dewey, and Corson, the season dates are September 7 through September 11, 1979.

(e) In all of the Central Flyway portion of Montana except Sheridan County and that area south and west of Interstate Highway 90 and the Big Horn River, the season dates are September 29 through November 4, 1979.

(f) In Crook, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, Platte and Weston Counties, Wyoming, the season dates are October 13 through November 18, 1979.

(g) Every hunter participating in the sandhill crane hunting season must obtain and carry in his possession while hunting sandhill cranes a Federal sandhill crane hunting permit available without cost from conservation agencies in the States where crane hunting seasons are allowed. The permit must be displayed to an authorized law enforcement official upon request.

4. Section 20.107 is amended as follows.

§ 20.107 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for whistling swans.

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, open seasons are prescribed for taking a limited number of whistling swans in Montana, Nevada, and Utah, subject to the following conditions:

(a) The season must run concurrently with the season for ducks.

(b) In Montana, no more than 500 permits may be issued authorizing each permitee to take one whistling swan in Teton County. The season dates are September 29, 1979, through December 30, 1979.

(c) In Nevada, no more than 500 permits may be issued authorizing each permittee to take one whistling swan in Churchill County. The season dates are November 3, 1979, through January 13, 1980.

(d) In Utah, no more than 2,500 permits may be issued authorizing each permittee to take one whistling swan. The season dates are October 6, 1979, through January 6, 1980.

(e) Permits and correspondingly numbered metal locking seals must be issued by the appropriate State conservation agency on an equitable basis without charge.

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5. Section 20.109 is amended as follows.

§ 20.109 Extended seasons, limits, and hours for taking migratory game birds by falconry.

Subject to the applicable provisions of this part, the areas open to hunting, the respective open seasons (dates inclusive), the hawking hours, and the daily bag and possession limits on the species designated in this section are prescribed as follows:

Hawking hours: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset daily.

Daily bag limit	3 singly or in the aggregate.
Possession limit	6 singly or in the aggregate.

Falconry, as a method of hunting, is permitted during the regular season. In States selecting extended seasons, special bag and possession limits for falconers apply to both the extended and regular seasons. In States not selecting extended seasons, regular bag and possession limits apply.

Check State regulations for additional restrictions, including exceptions to hawking hours and daily bag and possession limits; area descriptions; and area closures.

Atlantic Flyway	
Florida:	
Mourning doves	Oct. 1 to Jan. 15.
Rails	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Woodcock	Nov. 1 to Feb. 15.
Snipe	Nov. 10 to Feb. 24.
All ducks, (except scaup), mergansers, and coots.	Oct. 6 to Jan. 20.
Scaup	Oct. 17 to Jan. 31.[1]
Maryland:	
Mourning doves	Sept. 1 to Oct. 13. Nov. 12 to Jan. 14.
Rails and gallinules	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15.
Woodcock	Oct. 5 to Nov. 23. Dec. 4 to Jan. 29.
Common snipe	Sept. 14 to Dec. 29.
Ducks, mergansers and coots	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
Canada geese:	
East Zone	Oct. 17 to Jan. 31.
West Zone	Oct. 5 to Jan. 19.
Snow geese	Oct. 17 to Jan. 31.
Massachusetts:	
Ducks, geese, and coot	Oct. 11 to Jan. 19.
Pennsylvania:	
Mourning doves	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15.
Ducks and geese	Oct. 10 to Jan. 12.
Virginia:	
Mourning doves, rails, and woodcock.	Sept. 18 to Dec. 10. Dec. 22 to Jan. 2.
All ducks, (except scaup), coots, mergansers, and gallinules.	Oct. 9 to Jan. 19.
Mississippi Flyway	
Illinois:	
Mourning doves and sora and Virginia rails.	Dec. 10 to Dec. 31.
Waterfowl	Nov. 10 to Jan. 31.
Indiana: Woodcock only	Sept. 1 to Sept. 21.
Michigan:	
Rails, woodcock, snipe, and gallinules.	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Sept. 29 to Dec. 16.
Minnesota:	
Rails, woodcock, and snipe	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Sept. 29 to Jan. 13.[2]
Missouri:	
Mourning doves only	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Oct. 24 to Jan. 20.
Central Flyway	
Colorado: Ducks, geese, coots, cranes, and band-tailed pigeons.	Oct. 13 to Oct. 26.
Montana: Ducks, geese, coots, snipe, and cranes.	Sept. 29 to Jan. 13.
New Mexico:	
Daily bag and possession limits in New Mexico are 2 and 4, respectively, singly or in the aggregate of migratory species named below and resident game species.	
Mourning doves, white-winged doves, and bandtailed pigeons.	Sept. 1 to Nov. 16. Nov. 24 to Dec. 22.
Sandhill cranes only in Chaves, Curry, De Baca, Eddy, Lea, Quay, and Roosevelt Counties.	Oct. 15 to Jan. 20.
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Oct. 15 to Jan. 20.
Oklahoma:	
Ducks, coots, geese, and cranes	Oct. 13 to Jan. 18.
Wyoming:	
Doves	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Ducks, geese, and snipe	Sept. 29 to Jan. 6.
Pacific Flyway	
Colorado: Ducks, geese, coots, and band-tailed pigeons.	Oct. 13 to Oct. 26.
Idaho:	
Mourning doves only	Sept. 1 to Oct. 20.
Ducks, coots, mergansers and snipe.	Oct. 6 to Jan. 20.
Montana: Ducks, geese, coots, snipe, and swans.	Sept. 29 to Jan. 13.
New Mexico:	
Daily bag and possession limits in New Mexico are 2 and 4, respectively, singly or in the aggregate of migratory species named below and resident game species.	
Mourning doves, white-winged doves, and band-tailed pigeons.	Sept. 1 to Nov. 16. Nov. 24 to Dec. 22.
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Oct. 15 to Jan. 20.
Oregon:	
Daily bag and possession limits of 3 and 3, respectively, singly or in the aggregate of migratory species named below.	
Ducks, coots, and snipe	Oct. 6 to Jan. 20.
Utah:	
Mourning doves and band-tailed pigeons.	Sept. 1 to Sept. 30.
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and snipe only.	Oct. 6 to Jan. 20.
Washington:	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:.	
Eastern Washington	Oct. 6 to Oct. 12.
Western Washington	Oct. 6 to Oct. 12. Jan. 14 to Jan. 20.
Wyoming:	
Doves	Sept. 1 to Dec. 16.
Ducks, geese, and snipe only	Sept. 29 to Jan. 6.

[1] In Florida, Statewide October 17, 1979, through January 20, 1980: designated area(s) January 21 through January 31, 1980. See State regulations.

[2] In Minnesota, the hawking hours are the same as for hunting in general. See State regulations.

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